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WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

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This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of August 2009 and to date for the year that began on January 1, 2009.

Opinions and Orders Issued by the Court

The Court of Appeals issued 87 opinions, 65 summary dispositions, and 88 other written decisions in August. Opinions include three-judge and one-judge authored opinions and per curiam opinions. Summary dispositions include opinions issued in the form of a court order after the court has reviewed the briefs and the record and, generally, following a screening and decision conference. Other written decisions include memorandum opinions, which are issued in the form of a court order prior to a screening and decision conference, and miscellaneous orders terminating cases (e.g., voluntary dismissals and stipulations to dismiss). The breakdown by district and type of disposition is as follows:

<u>August 2009</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated	<u>64</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>240</u>
Opinion - Civil	14	13	8	18	53
Opinion - Criminal	17	6	2	9	34
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	1	3	6	6	16
Sum. Disp. - Criminal	6	14	7	22	49
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	13	7	10	18	48
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	9	7	6	6	28
Other - Civil	2	2	1	3	8
Other - Criminal	2	0	1	1	4

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 724 opinions, 566 summary dispositions, and 757 other written decisions.

<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated	<u>539</u>	<u>528</u>	<u>402</u>	<u>578</u>	<u>2047</u>
Opinion - Civil	104	105	81	125	415
Opinion - Criminal	98	89	42	80	309
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	30	39	31	40	140
Sum. Disp. - Criminal	102	122	82	120	426
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	113	85	93	143	434
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	56	50	48	37	191
Other - Civil	21	26	21	24	92
Other - Criminal	15	12	4	9	40

Appeals Filed

A total of 280 appeals were filed during the month. An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court.

<u>August 2009</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed	<u>92</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>280</u>
Civil.....	42	31	29	38	140
Criminal	50	25	37	28	140

So far this year, a total of 2175 appeals have been filed.

<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed	<u>678</u>	<u>494</u>	<u>502</u>	<u>501</u>	<u>2175</u>
Civil.....	300	256	285	318	1159
Criminal	378	238	217	183	1016

Appeals Pending

As of the end of the month, a total of 2176 cases were pending before the Court of Appeals.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Pending	<u>712</u>	<u>506</u>	<u>439</u>	<u>519</u>	<u>2176</u>
Civil.....	284	225	253	297	1089
Criminal	428	251	186	222	1087

Petitions for Supervisory Writ

The Court of Appeals received 17 and disposed of 13 petitions for supervisory writ during the month. A petition for supervisory writ asks the Court of Appeals to order the circuit court to take a certain action in a case.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sup. Writs Filed.....	9	2	0	6	17
Sup. Writs Terminated	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>13</u>
Granted.....	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	6	2	2	3	13
Sup. Writs Pending.....	31	7	1	14	53

Petitions for Leave to Appeal

The Court of Appeals received 17 and disposed of 17 petitions for leave to appeal during the month. A petition for leave to appeal asks the Court of Appeals to invoke its discretionary jurisdiction and accept the appeal of a case in which a final order has not been issued.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Leave to Appeal Petitions Filed	7	1	0	6	17
Leave to Appeal Petitions Terminated	<u>7</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>17</u>
Granted.....	1	0	1	0	2
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	6	2	2	5	15
Leave to Appeal Petitions Pending.....	14	2	1	2	19

Petitions for Review, Petitions for Bypass, and Certifications to the Supreme Court

The Supreme Court received 59 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, 2 petitions to bypass the Court of Appeals, and no requests for certification. In a petition for bypass, a party requests that the Supreme Court take jurisdiction of an appeal or other proceeding pending in the Court of Appeals. In a request for certification, the Court of Appeals asks the Supreme Court to exercise its appellate jurisdiction before the Court of Appeals hears the matter.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Petitions for Review Filed.....	<u>16</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>59</u>
Civil.....	6	6	6	10	28
Criminal	6	9	5	11	31
Petitions for Bypass Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Civil.....	0	1	0	0	1
Criminal	0	1	0	0	1
Certifications Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Civil.....	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0